Effect of the US concessions to Pakistani textiles

1799. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA':
SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether some concessions have been provided to Pakistani textile exports by the US market;

(b) if so, would such concessions have adverse impact on Indian textile exports to US;

(c) if so, the measures proposed to be taken in the interest of our textile exports: and

(d) whether the Prime Minister of India discussed this problem with the US President during his recent visit to USA?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) No concession has been given to Pakistan by US so far.

(b) and (c) Do not arise, in view of (a) above.

(d) No, Sir.

Establishment of Apparel Parks in potential cities

1800. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to establish Apparel Parks in potential cities of the country;

(b) whether Government of Karnataka have requested to establish such Apparel Parks at Bellary and Bangalore in Karnataka; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) to (c) A scheme has been announced in the Union Budget 2001-02 for creating clusters of excellence *i.e.* 'Apparel Park for Exports.'

In anticipation of launch of the scheme, certain State Governments have forwarded project proposals for setting up of Apparel Parks for Exports in their